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Minutes Of December 11, 2007

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was held on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, in room 210, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

- Senator Kuipers called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M. The roll of the Committee was called by the Committee Clerk.

Senator Kuipers – Present
Senator Cropsey – Present
Senator Sanborn – Present
Senator Patterson – Present
Senator Whitmer – Present
Senator Clarke – Present
Senator Prusi – Present

Agenda

- Approve minutes from December 4, 2007.
Motion by Senator Cropsey to approve the minutes from December 4, 2007, was supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Clarke – Excused
Senator Prusi – Yes

- Senator Kuipers opens up testimony on Senate Bill 505.
 1. Mr. Matt Muxlow, Office of Sen. Roger Kahn, explained the contents of Senate Bill 505.
 2. Mr. Patrick McCollough, representing Michigan Probate Judges Association, supports the bill. He explained that judges are at a greater risk due to the personal and emotional involvement they have with people that have mental problems.
 3. Mr. David Felbeck, representing Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners, opposes the bill, and submitted written testimony.
- Motion by Senator Cropsey to adopt the S-1 version of Senate Bill 505, supported by Senator Clarke.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator Cropsey – Yes
 Senator Sanborn – Excused
 Senator Patterson – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – Yes
 Senator Clarke – Yes
 Senator Prusi – Yes

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report the S-1 substitute to Senate Bill 505 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
 Senator Cropsey – Yes
 Senator Sanborn – Excused
 Senator Patterson – Yes
 Senator Whitmer – Yes
 Senator Clarke – Yes
 Senator Prusi – Yes

- Senator Kuipers opens up testimony on Senate Bill 968.
 1. Ms. Amy Peterman, Senate Majority Policy Office, explained the contents of Senate Bill 968
 2. Rep. John Pastor, sponsor of similar House Bill, supports the bill and submitted written testimony.

3. Mayor Jack E. Kirksey, City of Livonia, supports the bill and the City of Livonia has an ordinance that requires background checks on those people who engage in certain types of occupations before they can obtain a business license from the City..
 4. Chief of Police Robert Stevenson, Livonia Police Department, supports the bill and submitted written testimony.
 5. Sen. Glenn Anderson, supports the bill and was planning to introduce similar legislation until he learned of Senate Bill 968.
 6. Lt. Kim Rossman, Oakland County/CLEMIS, supports the bill as substituted and confirmed that they supported the proposed Whitmer amendment.
 7. Mr. David Bertram, representing Michigan Townships Association supports the bill with the Kuipers amendment.
- Motion by Senator Cropsey to adopt the S-2 version of Senate Bill 968 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Yes
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Prusi – Yes

- Senator Kuipers offers an amendment to allow a local unit of government to charge an individual the appropriate fees for the state and national criminal history record check.
- Motion by Senator Cropsey to adopt the Kuipers amendment, supported by Senator Whitmer.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Yes
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Clarke – Yes

Senator Prusi – Yes

- Senator Whitmer offers an amendment to insert “public” into “other **public** law enforcement consortium” throughout the bill, to clarify that these are in fact public entities.
- Motion by Senator Whitmer to adopt the Whitmer amendment, supported by Senator Cropsey.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Yes
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Prusi – Yes

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report the amendment as an (S-3) substitute of Senate Bill 968 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Yes
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Yes
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Prusi – Yes

- Senator Kuipers adjourned the meeting at 1:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Brieve, Clerk

Wayne Kuipers, Chair

Date Approved